

THE DAILY DEMOCRAT

THE TRUTH DEMOCRAT.
SATURDAY, - - - MAY 31, 1856.
Diamond Isle.
BY WILLIAM W. FORD

by the rounded heads the north larks brilliantly alight,
by the banners of the east that are laid out by the
brilliant thick tanged shores of the tropical bay;
the foot of the mountains its floor has its birth,
and the foot of the mountains its floor has its birth,
and wears its thick sliding upon its blue breast
still hid by the dark purple rim of the west,
about the high hills of the mountains,
the Columbian cactus—the empress of clime,
has no bold shore with the castle-crowned cliff,
hence the high hills of the mountains,
to rock-battered border, whence batteries from
a forest with their linnets the wave washed to
the quiet as sunshine that sleeps on a shingle—
the calm summer down, from its down to its close,
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to the forms that walk up to the mansion of God.

that beautiful stream there's a beautiful spot,
when men but for once can be never forget:
an island of the sea, where the water is
entranced in its breast and entranced in my heart;
and remembrance recall it will find fully with joy
the sea of the sea, where the water is
was the Mountain of Light in an emerald green
the river's new arose, mid pearls beyond price,
the purgatory of the sea, where the water is
was marvellously enlaid around on its shore.

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and looked out; Montarien x was still upon the
form; but he had retreated to the parapet; his
was very pale, and he was gazing with a look
astonishment at the gateway into which his men
rushed a moment before.
Without hesitating, without uttering a single
d, the two ladies rushed down the stone stair,
on entering the castle-yard, they stonned as if

away: there was not a living soul "under the eaves, and a yawning gulf stood open, concealing the entire space between the two gates. The old lady of Tiberias and father Marcou were already there; the latter approached the old lady, said to her in accents of ferocious joy: "You were asking, madame, what was the fate of my father and father Marcou?" The unhappy men have all fallen down there," said she, turning away her head with a shudder.

"But they are somewhere near to any of us!" cried monseigneur.

Not but you do such business much more rapidly than they!" replied Madame de Roanbert, smiling.

In the mean time, Helene had drawn near to her door, whose every movement she followed with anxiety. He was giving orders to the men in the hall.

The creak of ponderous machinery was heard, the clanking of chains; the two folds of the silver canopy floor, which were hinged at each extremity of the vaulted passage and had fallen back, as if by magic, on the floor, and the dark abyss, and closed up the opening: the

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Montaroux remained for a moment motionless as they passed through the gateway upon the group within. Then he turned, and slowly regained the road ordering the precipice.

"He will escape!" shouted Tiberge, making a sign to the soldiers and the fleeing his gun.

"Father," cried Helene in an agony of terror, "will you suffer him to be assassinated before your eyes?"

"Let him go," said the Count arresting the arm of Tiberge, "we shall meet him again sometime."

Marcellin Montaroux withdrew unharmed. The moment he disappeared, the Count, who had followed him with his eye, said sternly to his daughter:

"Do you know that he had placed himself at the head of these scoundrels who came here expecting and only defenceless women? Do you know

At the men marching under his orders were the
outs of the revolutionary tribunal, and that where-
ever he falls into their hands dies upon the scaffold."
"No, father, I do not believe him so cruel, so in-
imous," replied Helene with firmness; "if he took
command of these anguinary men, it was in
the protest and defend us against them."
"Would he have had it in his power to do so?"
interrupted the Count contemptuously.
Then pointing with energetic gesture to the
out where so many wretches had just perished, he
said:
"But we know how to defend ourselves!"
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